

Agricultural Report

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SAFETY AND SURVIVAL ON THE WATER *Bureau of Aquaculture*

Environmental Analysts from the Connecticut Department of Agriculture (DoAg)'s Bureau of Aquaculture are on the water year round in a variety of temperatures and conditions. Having survival knowledge should anything happen is essential to keeping staff safe while on the water.

On Thursday, May 10, several DoAg staff joined some members of the Connecticut shellfishing industry in safety and survival training at the University of Connecticut, Avery Point Campus in Groton, CT.

Participants learned from Coast Guard Certified Fishing Vessel Safety Instructors about man-overboard procedures, firefighting, emergency communications, flooding, pump operation, flares, emergency-position-indicating-radio beacons (EPIRB), survival suits, life raft-equipment, and basic first aid.

The man-overboard training was one of the most useful modules in this training, since it would likely be the one encountered most often by DoAg staff.

Often, there are only two members aboard a vessel at one time—one captaining the vessel while another collects samples.

The staff collecting samples often has to lean slightly out of the boat and—while under ideal conditions this

would not be an issue—if another boat comes by and creates a wake, or a larger wave tosses the vessel and the staff member is not adequately braced against the hull, it is possible for that staff member to be thrown overboard.

Although DoAg staff wear personal flotation devices while aboard the vessel, staff was surprised to find that it is actually extremely difficult for one person to lift another out of the water and haul them back on board the vessel.

Having this knowledge allows DoAg staff to better prepare their vessels with ladders and other methods of lifting someone who has fallen overboard.

A second-day course was also offered for one to become a Certified Drill Conductor, which is necessary to run monthly safety drills.

DoAg Boat Captain Rick Seiden intends to become a Certified Drill Conductor in order to run safety drills each month aboard DoAg vessels.

This training was held by Fishing Partnership Support Services (FPSS) and sponsored by Connecticut Sea Grant. FPSS is a non-profit organization that initially began in 1997 as a health plan to provide insurance for commercial fishermen and their families who are high-risk and chronically uninsured.



Jen Yeadon helps Kristin Russo into the life raft during the survival suit module of the training.



Alissa Dragan (left) and Jen Yeadon light off flares during the flare and EPIRB module of the course.

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NORTHEAST EGGS/USDA

Per doz. Grade A and Grade A white in cartons to retailers (volume buyers)

XTRA LARGE	.84	.98
LARGE	.78	.92
MEDIUM	.71	.84

NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS

Per doz. Grade A brown in carton delivered store door. (Range)

XTRA LARGE	1.43	1.69
LARGE	1.41	1.65
MEDIUM	1.18	1.26
SMALL	.82	.92

LANCASTER, PA LIVESTOCK

Avg. Dressing. Per cwt. Unless noted

	LOW	HIGH
SLAUGHTER COWS Avg. Dressing		
breakers 75-80% lean	62.00	67.50
boners 80-85% lean	61.00	65.00
lean 88-90% lean	54.00	60.50
SLAUGHTER STEERS		
Hi Ch/Prime 3-4	116.50	119.50
Choice 2-3	111.00	115.50
SLAUGHTER HOLSTEINS		
Choice 2-3	80.00	83.00
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS		
HiCh/Prime 3-4	114.00	115.00
Choice 2-3	112.00	114.00
CALVES - Graded bull		
No 1 90-130 lbs	70.00	80.00
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Woolled & Shorn		
Markets: Choice and Prime 2-3		
90-110 lbs	205.00	240.00
110-130 lbs	195.00	215.00
SLAUGHTER EWES: Good 2-3		
80-120 lbs	105.00	115.00
120-160 lbs	90.00	100.00
160-200 lbs	85.00	85.00
SLAUGHTER KIDS: Sel 1		
40-60 lbs	160.00	190.00
60-80 lbs	200.00	215.00
80-100 lbs	210.00	245.00
SLAUGHTER NANNIES/DOES: Sel 1		
80-130 lbs	195.00	195.00
130-180 lbs	240.00	260.00
SLAUGHTER BUCKS/BILLIES: Sel 1		
100-150 lbs	250.00	270.00
150-250 lbs	250.00	365.00

GREYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL

\$/lb. or unit listed.

BROILERS	1.20	1.35
CHICKS, A	.40	.80
XBRED FOWL 5-9	1.20	1.50
XBRED ROOSTERS, 7-11	1.25	1.25
XBRED ROOSTERS, 4-6	1.80	1.95
DOVES, EA	7.00	8.00
DUCKS/DRAKES, MUSCOVY	1.20	1.20
DUCKS, PEKIN, EA	5.00	6.00
DUCKLINGS, EA	1.00	2.00
GEESE	8.00	9.00
GOOSE EGGS, EA	4.25	4.25
LAYING PULLETS, EA	5.00	6.00
LEGHORN HENS, EA	3.00	3.00
LEGHORN ROOSTERS, EA	4.50	4.50
PIGEONS, EA	4.50	4.50
PIGEONS, FANCY, EA	12.00	14.00
PIGEONS, WHITE, EA	7.00	7.25
PULLETS 4-6	1.25	1.25
QUAIL, EA	1.20	1.50
RED FOWL 5-6	.90	1.05
RED FOWL 4-5	.70	.80

WHOLESALE FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Boston Terminal and Wholesale Grower Prices
CONNECTICUT AND NEW ENGLAND GROWN

	LOW	HIGH
ALFALFA SPROUTS, 5 LBS	14.00	15.00
APPLE, CORTLAND, XFCY, 72	30.00	31.00
APPLE, CORTLAND, XFCY, 80	30.00	31.00
APPLE, CORTLAND, XFCY, 88	30.00	31.00
APPLE, CORT, FNCY, 12-3LB, 2-1/2"	21.00	21.00
APP, GLD DEL, #1, 12-3LB, 2-1/2"	20.00	20.00
APPLE, MAC, FCY, TRYPK, 80	21.00	21.00
APPLE, MAC, FCY, TRYPK, 88	21.00	21.00
APPLE, MAC, FCY, TRYPK, 125	17.00	17.00
APPLE, MAC, FCY, TRYPK, 138	17.00	17.00
APP, MAC, #1, 12-3LB, 2-1/2"	20.00	20.00
APPLE, MAC, XFCY, TRYPK 80	30.00	31.00
APPLE, MAC, XFCY, TRYPK 88	30.00	31.00
APPLE, RED DEL, FCY, 64	22.00	22.00
APPLE, RED DEL, FCY, 72	22.00	22.00
APPLE, RED DEL, FCY, 80	22.00	22.00
APPLE, RED DEL, FCY, 125	20.00	20.00
APPLE, REDDEL, #1, 12-3LB, 2-1/2"	20.00	20.00
BEAN SPROUTS, 10 LBS	6.00	7.00
BEAN SPROUTS, 12-12 OZ	12.00	15.00
CIDER, 4-1 GALLON	22.00	22.00
CIDER, 9-1/2 GALLON	26.00	26.00
FIDDLEHEADS, PER LB, 10 LB	6.00	7.00
PARSNIPS, 20 LB LOOSE, MED	25.00	25.00
PARSNIPS, 18-1 LB, MEDIUM	23.00	23.00
RHUBARB, OPNFIELD, 20 LB	36.00	36.00
TOMS, GHSE, ONVINE, 11 LB	15.00	15.00

BOSTON MARKET ORGANIC

Price Range. Per unit.

APPLE, CRISPIN, WAXF, 80	62.00	62.00
BLUEBERRY, CA, 12-6OZ, L	27.00	30.00
CABBAGE, GREEN, 45 LBS	28.00	28.00
CARROTS, CA, 48-1 LB, M-L	36.00	36.00
CUKES, 1/2 BU, 12	18.00	18.00
EGGPLANT, FL, 1-1/9	29.00	29.00
KALE, 12 BUNCHES	27.00	27.00
LETT, RMAINE, CA/AZ, 12-18OZ	42.00	42.00
MESCLIN MIX, CA, 3 LBS	8.50	9.00

BOSTON SHIPPED IN

Price Range. Per unit.

ASPARAGUS, NJ, 28 LB BNCH, S	55.00	56.00
BEETS, NJ, 12 BN/CRATE	16.00	16.00
BOK CHOY, NJ, 1.6 BU CARTON	24.00	26.00
CABBAGE, RED, GA, 50 LB, M	20.00	22.00
CABBAGE, GRN, ORG, FL, 45LB, M/L	28.00	28.00
CABBAGE, SAVOY, GA, 40 LB, M/L	18.00	20.00
COLLARDS, GA, 12 BNCH/CTN	12.00	14.00
CUKES, WAXED, FL, 1-1/9, M	22.00	24.00
DANDELION GRNS, NJ, 12	16.00	18.00
EGGPLANT, FL, 1-1/9, LARGE	14.00	15.00
ENDIVE, NJ, 1.3 BU, 24	18.00	20.00
ESCAROLE, NJ, 1.3 BU, 24	18.00	20.00
KALE, MULTI, CA, 24	24.00	24.00
LEEKS, NJ, 12 BNCHS/CTN	16.00	16.00
LETT, BSTN GHS, CD, CLAM, 12-4	16.00	17.00
LETT, RED, GRNLF, CA/AZ, 24	26.00	30.00
MACHE, GHS, PA, 3 LBS	12.00	13.00
MESCLIN MIX, CA, 3 LBS	6.00	7.00
MUSTARD, CRLY, GA, 12	14.00	14.00
PARSLEY, PLAIN, NJ, 60BN/CTN	20.00	20.00
PARSLEY, CURLY, NJ, 60 BN	20.00	20.00
PEAS, ENGLISH, CA, BU	70.00	70.00
PEAS, SUGR SNP, GT, 10 LB	20.00	22.00
PEAS, SNOW, GT, 10 LB	24.00	26.00
PEPPERS, FL, 1-1/9, LARGE	18.00	18.00
POTATO, WHT, FL, 3/4-1-5/8", 50LB	60.00	65.00
POTATO, YLW, FL, 3/4-1-5/8", 50LB	63.00	65.00
RADISHES, CA, 24 BN/CRATE	14.00	15.00
SPINACH, FLAT, NJ, 24	12.00	12.00

MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Middlefield, CT - June 4, 2018

	LOW	HIGH
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	28.00	32.00
61-75 lbs.	48.00	52.50
76-90 lbs.	55.00	60.00
91-105 lbs.	62.50	65.00
106 lbs. & up	70.00	72.50
Farm Calves	82.50	227.50
Starter Calves	22.00	25.00
Veal Calves	100.00	160.00
Feeder Heifers	71.00	87.50
Beef Heifers	78.00	95.00
Feeder Steers	100.00	160.00
Beef Steers	75.00	114.00
Feeder Bulls	120.00	180.00
Beef Bulls	92.50	140.00
Replacement Cows	n/a	n/a
Replacement Heifers	n/a	n/a
Boars	n/a	n/a
Sows	n/a	n/a
Butcher Hogs each	n/a	n/a
Feeder Pigs each	1@	55.00
Sheep each	115.00	160.00
Lambs each	205.00	245.00
Goats each	80.00	302.50
Kid Goats each	72.50	190.00
Canners	up to	59.00
Cutters	60.00	63.00
Utility Grade Cows	64.00	66.50
Rabbits each	5.00	27.50
Chickens each	3.00	24.00
Ducks each	5.00	20.00

HARTFORD REGIONAL MARKET FARMERS' MARKET FLOWERS

Price published is \$/unit listed.

PERENNIAL, 1 GAL	9.00	15.00
PERENNIAL, 2 GAL	12.00	15.00
HANGER, FLOWER, 10"	5.00	20.00
HANGER, FLOWER, 11"	10.00	15.00
HNGR, FLWR, 11", 2 FOR	25.00	25.00
HANGER, FLOWER, 12"	10.00	25.00
COMBO POTS, 6", EA	7.00	7.00
ASSTD 4.5" POTS, EA	2.00	3.50
ASSTD 4.5" POTS, TRAY	20.00	20.00
ASSTD 4" POTS, TRAY	20.00	20.00
48 PLANT FLAT, EA	10.00	20.00
48 PLT FLAT, 3 FOR	25.00	25.00
WINDOW BOX	15.00	25.00
GERANIUMS, /TRAY	20.00	27.00
GERANIUMS, 2 TRAYS	40.00	40.00
VEG PLTS, 6 PK, EA	1.00	2.00
HIBISCUS PLT, EA	25.00	25.00

BOSTON MARKET CUT FLOWERS

Wholesale price. \$/unit listed.

ASTILBE, 10/BN, NL, M	17.50	17.50
CELOSIA, XCM CA, /BN, L	10.00	10.00
DELPH, CA, /BN, L	9.50	10.00
GLADS, CA, 10/BN, L	15.00	15.00
HYDRANGEA, NL, 5, L	5.50	7.50
LAVENDER, PA, /BN, L	10.00	10.00
LILAC, NTRL, /BL, NENG, L	75.00	75.00
LUPINE, CD, /BN, L	15.00	15.00
PEONY, SDBL, NENG, 10, L	25.00	25.00
PEONY, NJ, /STEM, L	2.95	3.95
RANUNCULUS, CD, 10, L	20.00	20.00
SNAPDRGN, NENG, 10, XL	13.50	13.50
SWEETPEA, NL, 10/BN, L	10.00	12.50
SWEETWILL, NJ, /BN, L	6.50	6.50

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Today, now that health insurance is more widely available, FPSS has expanded their mission to provide assistance with health insurance applications, connections of professional counseling services, and offer safety and survival trainings.



Kristin Russo and Rick Seiden practice setting up a typical dewatering pump delivered by the Coast Guard to vessels in need.

This organization focuses mainly on training fishermen



From left to right: Kristin Russo, Jen Yeadon, Rick Seiden, and Alissa Dragan don survival suits before jumping into the water.

working in New England, going from Maine to Long Island, since New England waters are some of the most dangerous in the country.

FPSS safety and survival training is primarily tailored to fishermen who are out on the water in all sorts of conditions.

Having hands-on experience operating various pieces of safety equipment helps DoAg staff be better prepared should an emergency situation

arise. Although emergency situations happen infrequently, this course was a great tool to expose staff to the potential dangers in the marine environment.

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**UCONN EXTENSION OFFERS
GREENHOUSE BIOLOGICAL CONTROL CONFERENCE**

UConn Extension is sponsoring a one-day Greenhouse Biological Control Conference to be held on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at Room 100, WB Young Building, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. Speakers at will include the following:

- Michael Oleykowski of Syngenta will present *Developing an Effective, Integrated Control Program*.
- Debbie Palumbo-Sanders of Bioworks in Victor, NY will present *Biofungicides and Their Fit into Your IPM Program*.
- Kerri Stafford of Cavicchio Greenhouses in Sudbury, MA will present *Implementing Our Biological Control Program*.
- Annie White of Nectar Landscape Design Studio in Burlington, VT will present *Top Plants for Attracting Pollinators: Natives and Beyond*.
- Carol Glenister of IPM Laboratories in Locke, NY will present *Plants Talk Biocontrol: How to Use Plants to Manage Pests*.

A registration fee of \$40, payable by check only to the University of Connecticut, is due by June 14. Registration includes coffee, continental breakfast, lunch, informational handouts and parking.

Five pesticide recertification credits will be offered. For more information contact Leanne Pundt at 860-626-6855 or leanne.pundt@uconn.edu or visit www.ipm.uconn.edu.

**LAST CHANCE TO COMPLETE
THE 2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) is wrapping up data collection for the 2017 Census of Agriculture. To stay on track for data release in February 2019, the deadline for submitting the paper questionnaire is June 15, 2018.

Farmers and ranchers who have not responded by June 15, 2018 still have until the end of July to complete the Census online through the secure website found on the cover of their Census form. Phone follow-up and personal interviews will also continue through July.

The questionnaire needs to be completed by everyone who received a form - including landowners who lease land to producers, those involved in conservation programs, even those who may have received the Census and do not farm. Every response matters.

Federal law requires NASS to keep all information confidential, to use the data only for statistical purposes, and to only publish in aggregate form to prevent disclosing the identity of any individual producer or farm operation.

For more information about the 2017 Census of Agriculture or to respond online, visit www.agcensus.usda.gov. Improved in 2017, the online form is faster and more convenient than ever. For questions about or assistance with filling out the Census, call toll-free 888-424-7828.

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